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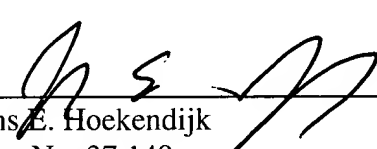
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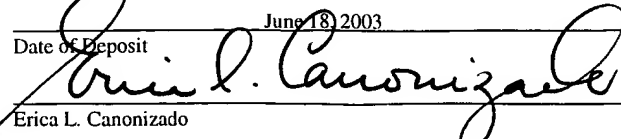
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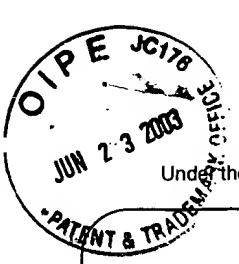
  
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		Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid	
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
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1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
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1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
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1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
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1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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